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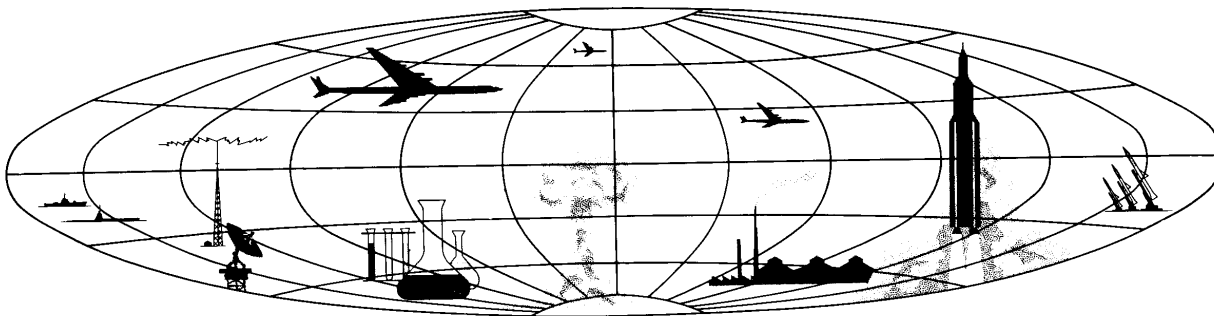
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PREFACE

THIS MISSION COVERAGE INDEX (MCI) LISTS THE INTELLIGENCE TARGETS IMAGED ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED] MISSIONS 1256 DATED 26 OCTOBER 1964, 1255, 1258, 1259 DATED 28 OCTOBER 1964, AND 1199, 1263 DATED 29 OCTOBER 1964 COVERING LAOS AND NORTH VIETNAM.

ITEMS ARE ARRANGED IN THREE SECTIONS --

SECTION I PROVIDES SHORT DESCRIPTIONS FOR NEWLY IDENTIFIED TARGETS AND PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TARGETS SHOWING CHANGE, AND ALSO PROVIDES ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

SECTION II PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH REFLECT NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES FROM THE MOST ADEQUATE PREVIOUS DESCRIPTION. THE MCI IN WHICH THIS DESCRIPTION APPEARS IS DESIGNATED BY THE APPROPRIATE MISSION NUMBER, PREFIXED BY THE LETTERS NAC AND APPEARING AS THE LAST ENTRY ON THE PHOTO REFERENCE LINE. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WHERE THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FACILITIES AND WHERE NO ORDER OF BATTLE CAN BE DETERMINED ARE LISTED UNDER THIS SECTION.

SECTION III PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT NOT INTERPRETED.

TARGETS IN EACH SECTION ARE ARRANGED 1) BY COUNTRY, 2) WITHIN THE COUNTRY ACCORDING TO SUBJECT, 3) WITHIN THE SUBJECT BY WAC AREA,

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AND 4) WITHIN THE WAC AREA BY GEORGRAPHIC COORDINATES IN ASCENDING ORDER. AN EXPLANATION OF COLUMN HEADINGS AND PHOTO REFERENCES USED IN PRESENTING THE INFORMATION IS CONTAINED IN THE APPENDIX. THE MAP BASE USED (WHEN AVAILABLE) FOR THE DERIVATION OF COORDINATES IN THIS MCI IS THE LATEST EDITION OF THE AMS SERIES L509, SCALE 1/250,000, L004, 1/50,000 AND THE ATC SERIES 200, SCALE 1/200,000.

THE USER OF THIS MCI IS CAUTIONED THAT THE SCAN OF PHOTOGRAPHY WAS ACCOMPLISHED IN A RELATIVELY SHORT TIME AND OFTEN WITHOUT THE AID OF PRECISE ANALYTICAL AND MENSURAL TECHNIQUES COMMONLY EMPLOYED IN DETAILED PHOTOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS. CONSEQUENTLY, ALTHOUGH THE INFORMATION PRESENTED HEREIN IS ESSENTIALLY ACCURATE, ADDITIONAL, DETAILED ANALYSIS MAY SOMEWHAT ALTER PORTIONS OF THE INFORMATION.

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SECTION I

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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
			BE	NPIC
<p>-LAOS-</p> <p>AIR INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>BAN NA VENG AIRFIELD 0.5 NM NE OF BAN NA VENG. 2,000 X 50 FT NW/SE SOD LANDING STRIP, UNSERVICEABLE. AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED. [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>MILITARY INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>MUONG PHINE POSSIBLE MAINTENANCE AREA 1.4 NM WEST OF ROUTES 9 AND 23 INTERSECTION. AREA CONTAINS 6 RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, ONE PROBABLE VEHICLE SHED, AND 2 STORAGE BUILDINGS. TWO BOMB CRATERS ON WEST EDGE OF AREA, ONE BOMB CRATER 0.5 NM SW OF AREA, AND ONE BOMB CRATER 0.5 NM SE OF AREA. COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>25X1D BAN THAY AAA SITE 0.4 NM NW OF BAN THAY AT UTM [REDACTED] ONE 4-GUN UNOCCUPIED AAA SITE AND ONE 5-GUN UNOCCUPIED AW SITE. [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>BAN HOU EI SANE, MILITARY AREAS THREE MILITARY AREAS IN BAN HOU EI SANE VICINITY.</p>	<p>1737N 10511E</p> <p>1632N 10601E</p> <p>1634N 10604E</p> <p>1636N 10632E</p>	<p>0617</p> <p>0617</p> <p>0617</p> <p>0617</p>		<p>380-A</p> <p>192-D</p> <p>192-E</p> <p>217</p>

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	Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
				BE	NPIC
	<p>AREAS A AND B -- NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>AREA C -- NOT COVERED. [REDACTED] 25X1D</p>				
25X1D	<p>BAN KHE TAY, STRONGPOINT ONE NM SW OF BAN KHE TAY ON NORTH SIDE OF ROUTE 9 AT UTM [REDACTED] CIRCULAR TRENCHED AREA CONTAINS 25 BUILDINGS. [REDACTED] 25X1D</p>	1637N 10631E	0617		217-B
25X1D	<p>BAN VANG NOU, POSSIBLE MILITARY CAMP EAST EDGE OF BAN VANG NOU AT UTM [REDACTED] LARGE BUILDING APPEARS DETERIORATED AND TRENCH SYSTEM APPEARS OVERGROWN. COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D</p>	1646N 10606E	0617		359-A
25X1D	<p>BAN NA KOK AREA, STRONGPOINT ONE NM NNE OF BAN NA KOK AT UTM [REDACTED] STRONGPOINT COMPRISES 9 BUILDINGS AND TRENCHES ON BOTH SIDES OF ROUTE 8, 4 BUILDINGS DESTROYED BY BOMBING, AND 6 BUILDINGS DISMANTLED. THREE BOMB CRATERS OBSERVED NORTH OF ROUTE 8. (SEE ATTACHMENT 1) [REDACTED] 25X1D</p>	1727N 10509E	0617		410
25X1D	<p>BAN LANG KHANG, STRONGPOINT EAST EDGE OF BAN LANG KHANG AT UTM [REDACTED] STRONGPOINT CONSISTS OF A CLEARED</p>	1733N 10544E	0617		199-A

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				BE	NPIC
	<p>RECTANGULAR AREA WITH PERSONNEL TRENCHES. TWO BOMB CRATERS OBSERVED 900 FT SOUTH. COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D</p>				
25X1A	<p>BAN NHOMMARATH KEO AREA, AAA/AW POSITIONS 2 NM SOUTH OF BAN NHOMMARATH KEO AT UTM [REDACTED] TWO UNOCCUPIED LIGHT AAA/AW POSITIONS WITH 13 BUILDINGS AND SHEDS OF VARIOUS SIZES AND ONE DESTROYED BUILDING IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA. [REDACTED] 25X1D</p>	1734N 10510E	0617		365-C
25X1D	<p>BAN DONG AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 0.2 NM NW OF BAN DONG ON THE WEST SIDE OF ROAD AT UTM [REDACTED] ONE LARGE AND ONE SMALL BUILDING OBSERVED. A 6-GUN UNOCCUPIED AAA SITE OBSERVED AT UTM [REDACTED] 25X1D</p>	1744N 10507E	0617		476-C
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25X1D	<p>LAK SAO ARMY BARRACKS JUST SE OF LAK SAO AT UTM [REDACTED] RECTANGULAR TRENCHED AREA CONTAINS 2 BARRACKS, ONE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 3 SUPPORT BUILDINGS (ALL IN A BADLY DETERIORATED CONDITION), THE FRAMEWORKS AND FOUNDATIONS OF 5 FORMER BUILDINGS, AND SCARS FROM AT LEAST 3 FORMER BUILDINGS. THREE UNOCCUPIED AW POSITIONS AND 2 BOMB CRATERS OBSERVED WITHIN AREA. ONE DESTROYED BUILDING AND 2 LARGE BOMB</p>	1811N 10459E	0617	25X1A [REDACTED]	113-A

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	Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
				BE	NPIC
25X1D	<p>CRATERS OBSERVED 200 YDS SE OF BARRACKS AREA AT UTM [REDACTED], AND 3 OTHER BOMB CRATERS DISPERSED IN WOODS JUST NE OF BARRACKS AREA.</p> <p>COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A</p> <p>[REDACTED] 25X1D</p>	1811N 10459E	0617		113-D
25X1D	<p>LAK SAO AREA, STRONGPOINT & REST & REFUEL PT 0.8 NM NNE OF LAK SAO BARRACKS AREA AT UTM [REDACTED]</p>				
25X1D	<p>TRENCH ENCLOSED STRONGPOINT CONTAINS SEVERAL AW POSITIONS AND APPEARS ABANDONED.</p>				
25X1D	<p>A REST AND REFUEL POINT JUST NE OF THE STRONGPOINT AT UTM [REDACTED] CONTAINS 16 BUILDINGS DISPERSED IN WOODS AND AN EXTENSIVE TRENCH SYSTEM.</p>				
25X1D	<p>VEHICLE GRAVEYARD 1.1 NM WNW OF THE LAK SAO BARRACKS AREA AT UTM [REDACTED] CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 35 TRUCKS IN VARYING DEGREES OF DISREPAIR.</p>	1819N 10504E	0617		118-A
25X1D	<p>AT LEAST 11 BOMB CRATERS WERE OBSERVED IN THE STRONGPOINT AND REST AND REFUEL AREA, GENERALLY IN PAIRS AND ORIENTATED IN AN ENE/WSW DIRECTION. NO BOMB DAMAGE WAS INFLICTED ON THE AREA.</p> <p>[REDACTED] 25X1D</p>				
25X1D	<p>NAPE AREA, MILITARY AREA</p>				
25X1D	<p>2 NM SE OF NAPE AT UTM [REDACTED]</p>				

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<p>AREA CONTAINS A TRENCH SYSTEM ON HILLTOP. BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN DISMANTLED. AREA IS HEAVILY OVERGROWN WITH VEGETATION AND APPEARS ABANDONED.</p> <p>COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>BAN KONG MI, MILITARY AREA 1,800 FT NE OF BAN KONG MI AT UTM [REDACTED] ABANDONED OVERGROWN STRONGPOINT. TEN BOMB CRATERS, 8 DESTROYED BUILDINGS, 3 HEAVILY DAMAGED BUILDINGS, AND ONE LIGHTLY DAMAGED BUILDING OBSERVED IN BAN KONG MI AT UTM [REDACTED] (SEE ATTACHMENT 2) COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>MISCELLANEOUS</p> <p>ROUTE 8</p> <p>NATURAL SURFACE, SINGLE-LANE ROAD IN FAIR-TO-POOR CONDITION OBSERVED INTERMITTENTLY. FROM 18-18N 105-05E TO 18-35N 105-10E. FORD AT UTM [REDACTED] APPEARS IMPASSABLE. [REDACTED] 25X1D</p>	1430N 10654E	0738		137-B

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-LAOS-				
AIR INSTALLATIONS				
TCHEPONE AIRFIELD 25X1A COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED]	1643N 10612E	0617	25X1A [REDACTED]	124
[REDACTED] 25X1D				
BAN PHAN HOP AIRFIELD COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A	1732N 10544E	0617	25X1A [REDACTED]	199
[REDACTED] 25X1D				
BAN SI NHO AIRFIELD COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A	1748N 10505E	0617		399-A
[REDACTED] 25X1D				
LAK SAO AIRFIELD COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A	1811N 10459E	0617	25X1A [REDACTED]	113
[REDACTED] 25X1D				

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NAPE AIRFIELD COMOR TARGET NO 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D	1818N 10505E	0617	25X1A [REDACTED]	118
MILITARY INSTALLATIONS				
MUONG NONG, MILITARY CAMPS COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D	1622N 10630E	0617		191
MUONG PHINE, MILITARY AREAS COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D	1632N 10602E	0617		192
TCHEPONE, STRONGPOINT [REDACTED] 25X1D	1641N 10614E	0617		124-F
TCHEPONE ARMY BARRACKS NW COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D	1642N 10613E	0617	25X1A [REDACTED]	124-C
BAN KENG KHAN KAO PROBABLE MILITARY CAMP COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D	1645N 10608E	0617		359
BAN NA NHOM, MILITARY AREA [REDACTED] 25X1D	1702N 10544E	0617		271

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BAN NHOMMARATH KEO, MILITARY AREA COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D	1736N 10509E	0617		365
BAN NA VENG AREA, MILITARY AREA COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D	1737N 10514E	0617		380
-NORTH VIETNAM- MILITARY INSTALLATIONS MU GIA PASS, MILITARY CAMP [REDACTED] 25X1D	1740N 10546E	0617		116-A

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-LAOS-				
AIR INSTALLATIONS				
BAN HQUEI SANE AIRFIELD	1636N 10633E	0617	25X1A	217-A
COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A				
[REDACTED] 25X1D				
MILITARY INSTALLATIONS				
BAN KHA DAP, PROBABLE MILITARY CAMP	1637N 10630E	0617		411
[REDACTED] 25X1D				

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APPENDIX

COLUMN HEADINGS

City, Installation--This column contains the name of the city or town nearest the installation, followed by the name of the installation. If the name of the installation is not known, it is titled according to its function. Where appropriate, the city and installation names are followed by a capsule description.

Coordinates--Coordinates are referenced to the SW corner of the minute square. When the subject installation covers a wide area, coordinates are given for the approximate center of the installation.

WAC--This column provides the World Aeronautical Chart number for that area in which the subject installation is situated.

Installation Numbers--This column is divided into two subcolumns. The first subcolumn lists, when known, the BE installation number assigned to the installation. The second subcolumn lists the installation number assigned by NPIC. Installation numbers, when used to reference an item, should be prefixed by the appropriate WAC number, since installation numbers are repeated from WAC to

WAC. For example, there is an NPIC target number 0499-15-A and an NPIC target number 0498-15-A. In each instance, the NPIC installation number is 15-A, but the installations appear on different WAC charts.

COMOR TARGET NUMBERS

Target numbers assigned by the Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance (COMOR), when available, are listed directly above the photo reference data.

PHOTO REFERENCE DATA

The photo reference data indicates the frame(s) on which the installation appears.

CONDITIONS AFFECTING PHOTOGRAPHY

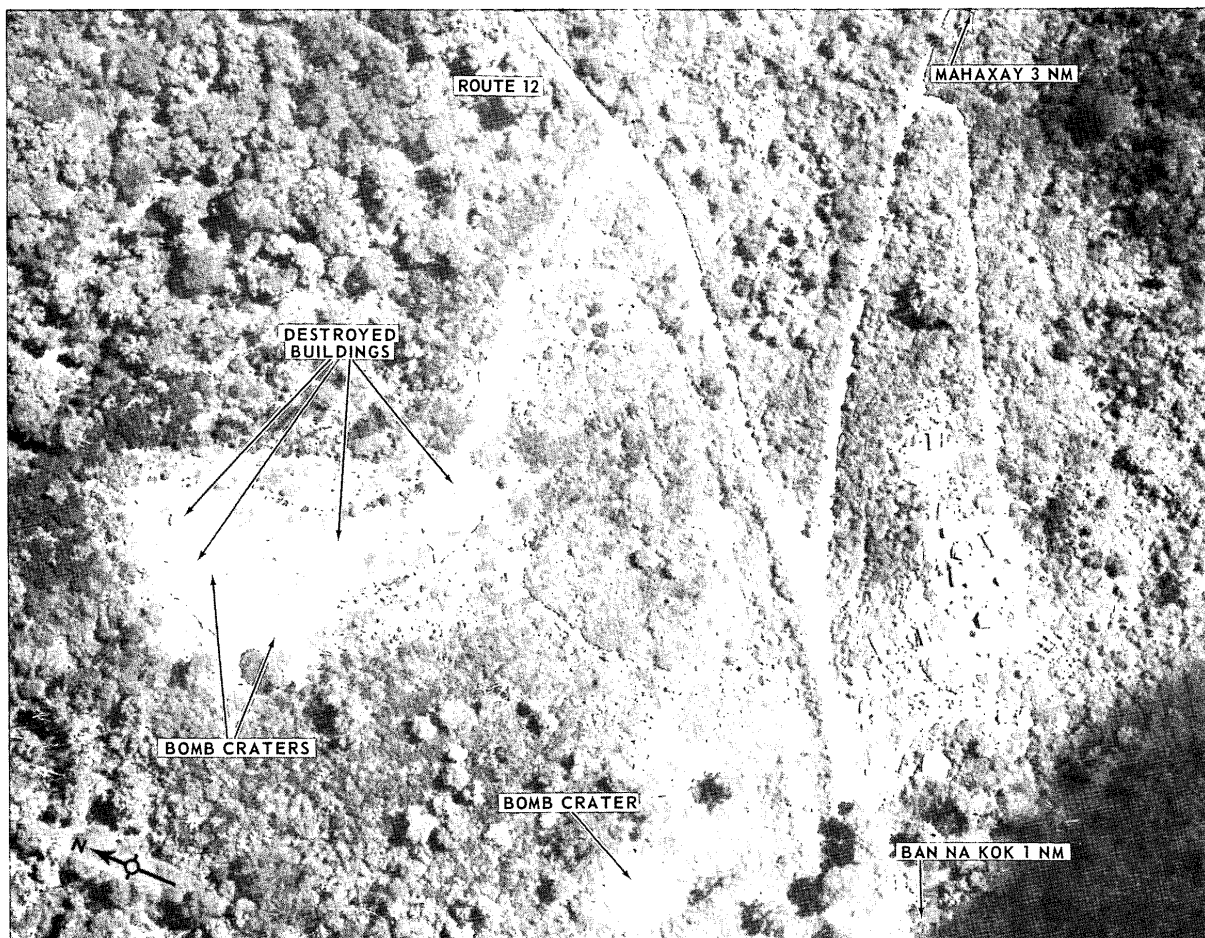
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ATTACHMENT 1



STRONGPOINT, BAN NA KOK AREA, LAOS

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